

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims of the application. The status of the claims is as follows:

- Claims 1-3, 5-7, 9-12, 14-20, 88, 89 and 91 are currently pending;
- Claims 4, 8, 13, 87 and 90 are canceled herein;
- Claims 1, 5, 6, 11, 88 and 89 are amended herein;
- New claim 91 is added herein; and
- Claims 1, 5, 11, 88, 89 and 91 are independent.

Claim Objections - Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 5, 8 and 13 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

As discussed by telephone with the Examiner on May 15, 2009, Applicant has amended the claims to rewrite the claims indicated to be allowable in independent form including all the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. Should any minor informalities remain in the claims that would prevent allowance of the application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned via telephone so that these issues can be more efficiently addressed.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate allowable claim 8. Claim 8 has been canceled and there were no intervening claims. Accordingly, claim 1 and dependent claims 2, 3, 7, 9 and 10, which depend from claim 1, are in condition for

allowance. Further the last paragraph of claim 1 has been amended to correct an informality. This amendment is not believed to impact the allowability of amended claim 1.

In addition, allowable claim 5 has been rewritten in independent form to incorporate claim 1 and intervening claim 4. Claim 4 has been canceled and dependent claim 6 has been amended to depend from claim 5. Accordingly, amended independent claim 5 and dependent claim 6, which depends from claim 5, are in condition for allowance.

Further, independent claim 11 has been amended to incorporate allowable claim 13. Claim 13 has been canceled and there were no intervening claims. Accordingly, claim 11 and dependent claims 12 and 14-20, which depend from claim 11, are in condition for allowance.

In addition, independent method claim 88, corresponding to claim 1, has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of allowable claim 8. Claim 88 has further been amended to be tied to a particular machine and to correct an informality in the last paragraph. Accordingly, independent claim 88 is in condition for allowance.

Additionally, independent method claim 89, corresponding to claim 11, has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of allowable claim 13. Claim 89 has further been amended to be tied to a particular machine. Accordingly, independent claim 89 is in condition for allowance.

Furthermore, new independent method claim 91 has been added as a method claim corresponding to amended independent claim 5 discussed above. Method claim

91 is further tied to a particular machine. Accordingly, new independent claim 91 is in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Applicant submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the application. If any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned representative for the Applicant before issuing a subsequent Action.

Respectfully Submitted,

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